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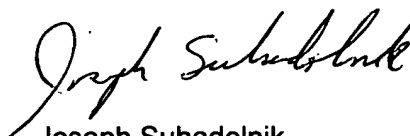
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In accordance with 37 CFR 1.56, Applicant wishes to call the Examiner's attention to the references cited on the attached form PTO-1449. Copies of the International Search Report and the references cited therein were supplied when this application entered the U.S. national phase. Therefore, copies are not required to be resubmitted.

The International Search Report indicates that U.S. Patents 5,618,343 and 5,997,627 are substantively cumulative English language counterparts of EP 0719842 and EP 0842989 respectively.

The Examiner is requested to consider the foregoing information in relation to this application and indicate that each reference was considered by returning a copy of the initialed PTO 1449 form.

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## U. S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

EXAMINER INITIAL	DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	NAME	CLASS	SUBCLASS	FILING DATE IF APPROPRIATE
	5,476,949	12/95	Wallquist et al	548	453	
	5,492,564	2/96	Wooden et al	106	493	
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	0719842	7/96	Europe				
	0430875	6/91	Europe				
	0842989	5/98	Europe				

## OTHER DOCUMENTS (including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)


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